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In re:

U.S. Application of:

Hiroshi OOTSUKA, Kiyofumi HASHIMOTO,

Shuichiro KANEKO and Katsuhiko ASAII

For:

LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE WITH
A MEMORY EFFECT

Prior Application:

Confirmation No.: 2350

U.S. Serial No.: 09/527,368

Filed: March 16, 2000

Group Art Unit: 2675

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**REQUEST FOR FILING CONTINUED PROSECUTION
APPLICATION (CPA) PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)**

This is a request for filing a Continuation Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d), (continued prosecution application (CPA)), of Application Serial No. 09/527,368, filed on March 16, 2000, by Hiroshi OOTSUKA, Kiyofumi HASHIMOTO, Shuichiro KANEKO and Katsuhiko ASAII entitled LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE WITH A MEMORY EFFECT.

- The above-identified prior Application Serial No. 09/527,368, in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application.

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2. Please use the file jacket and contents of the prior Application Serial No. 09/527,368, including the specification, drawings, and declaration to constitute the new application.

3. Please enter the Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 which is being filed concurrently herewith, and which amends claims 1 and 15 and new claims 16-19 have been added.

4. Claims 1-4 and 6-19 are now present in this application. Claims 1, 15, 18 and 19 are independent claims, and claims 2-4, 6-14, 16 and 17 are dependent claims.

5. The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims currently existing in the prior Application Serial No. 09/527,368, as amended by the Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116.

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7. A Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time, extending the response period to February 18, 2003, is being filed concurrently herewith. The Petition includes authorization for charging the Petition fee against the Deposit Account No. 18-1260.

8. The prior Application Serial No. 09/527,368, filed on March 16, 2000, is assigned of record by virtue of an Assignment by Hiroshi OOTSUKA, Kiyofumi HASHIMOTO, Shuichiro KANEKO and Katsuhiko ASAII to MINOLTA CO., LTD., as recorded on **Reel 010662, Frame 0741**.

9. The Power of Attorney in the prior application Serial No. 09/527,368, was filed by Hiroshi OOTSUKA, Kiyofumi HASHIMOTO, Shuichiro KANEKO and Katsuhiko ASAII, and is to certain attorneys of SIDLEY AUSTIN BROWN & WOOD LLP, Dallas, Texas. On or about May 3, 2001, the power of attorney was changed to the practitioners associated with Customer No. 24367 and the correspondence address was changed to that associated with Customer No. 24367. Please submit all correspondence to the Dallas address associated with Customer No. 24367.

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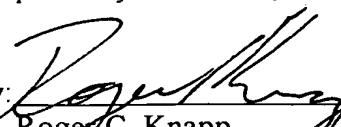
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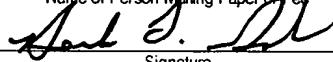
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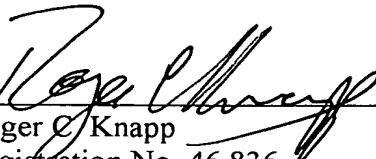
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Submitted herewith is a new set of formal drawings including revised Figure 5. Figure 5 has been changed according to the Request for Approval of Proposed Drawing Changes Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 of July 30, 2002, which has been approved by the Examiner.

It is respectfully requested that the Official Draftsperson approve the revised formal drawings.

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